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## **Secretary Tamminen Applauds U.S. EPA For Supporting Governor Schwarzenegger's Efforts To Reinvest, Redevelop And Revitalize California's Urban Communities.**

On Tuesday, U.S. EPA announced that it awarded \$8.2 million in brownfields grants to 24 California communities – (of a total of 265 grants –75 million awarded nationwide). California received more grants than any other State. These grants are to be used for site assessments, cleanups, and revolving loan funds to prepare idled and underutilized sites in these communities for redevelopment and community revitalization projects.

“These grants are a significant boost to California's brownfields efforts, and support Governor Schwarzenegger's plan to turn former problem industrial and commercial sites into productive property and create new life in communities across the state providing both economic and environmental benefits,” said Terry Tamminen, Secretary of the California Environmental Protection Agency.

For more information on the grant recipients, go to: <http://www.epa.gov/brownfields>.

For more information on California's brownfields efforts, go to:  
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